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An Act To Reduce Inspections and Operating Costs for Elevators

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 35-A MRS §7308 is enacted to read:

§ 7308. Service charges for elevator telephones

1. Elevator telephone rate. The commission shall establish flat-rate basic service charges for elevator telephones that do not exceed \$5 per month.

2. Rules. The commission shall adopt rules to implement this section. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. 2. Rules. The Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Office of Licensing and Regulation, Board of Elevator and Tramway Safety shall adopt rules to change the inspection schedule for category 5 periodic tests on elevators from 5 to 10 years by January 1, 2008. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

SUMMARY

This bill directs the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Office of Licensing and Regulation, Board of Elevator and Tramway Safety to adopt rules to change the inspection schedule for category 5 periodic tests on elevators from 5 to 10 years. It also directs the Public Utilities Commission to adopt rules to establish flat-rate basic service charges for elevator telephones that do not exceed \$5 per month.